

**Governor's State Advisory Council on Early Childhood
Education and Care**

Meeting Minutes

Meeting on February 21st, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Crowne Plaza, 4402 East Washington Avenue, Madison

Members present:

Eloise Anderson
Tony Evers
Therese Ahlers
John Ashley
Joan Beck
Freda-Ellen Bove
Sheila Briggs
Linda Davis
Dave Edie
Delores Gokee-Rindal
Bessie Gray
Lilly Irvin-Vitela
Peter Kelly
Kia LaBracke
Linda Leonhart
Kevin Moore
Gail Propsom
Elaine Richmond
Mary Anne Snyder
Carolyn Stanford Taylor
Jon Stellmacher
Ann Terrell
Rolf Wegenke

Staff present:

Jane Penner-Hoppe
Jill Haglund
Alyssa Bokelman
Linda McCart

Others present:

Jim Leonhart
Jim Bates
Leslie McAllister
Hilary Shager
June Fox
Amy Meinen
Mary Madsen
Bridget Cullen
Erin Arango-Escalante
Richard Telfer for Kevin Reilly

Topic	Who	Notes
Welcome and Introductions	Secretary Anderson State Superintendent Evers	Introductions of new members: Bessie Gray, Gail Propsom and Kevin Moore. The official membership for the ECAC has not yet been finalized.
II. Focused Updates	Secretary Anderson State Superintendent Evers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Race to the Top: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> WI scored at #11, top 9 were funded. Letter of support for early learning grants was sent to federal department. Announced completion of the move of Head Start Collaboration Office, including Linda Leonhart, from DCF to the new Office of Early Learning at DPI. Provided an update on <i>Read to Lead</i>: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Implications for kindergarten literacy assessment were previewed Report with recommendations was included in packets and is available online. DPI is moving forward with teacher licensing revisions.
III. Approval of the December Minutes	Secretary Anderson	Minutes were approved, and introductions of ECAC members and guests were made.
IV. Wisconsin's 2012 ECAC Agenda in a National Context	Secretary Anderson Speaker: Elliot Regenstein, Partner, Education Counsel LLC and former Co-Chair for the Illinois Early Learning Council	<p>Secretary Anderson introduced the guest speaker, Elliot Regenstein.</p> <p>Mr. Regenstein provided insight into the status of discussions regarding round two of the Race to the Top –Early Learning Challenge grants. The two options reportedly being considered include school district competitions and state-level early childhood systems planning grants.</p> <p>A PowerPoint presentation was provided summarizing Wisconsin's ECAC Agenda in light of the national perspective.</p>

IV. ECAC Steering Committee Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2011 Report Discussion Organizational Structure 	State Superintendent Evers Steering Committee Co-Chair – Mary Anne Snyder	Mary Ann Snyder and the Steering Committee members were introduced. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed the ECAC 2011 report and its recommendations for the 2012 year. Reviewed the organizational principles and proposed structure for project teams. Project Team – small group discussions. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ECAC Members participated in a discussion with the Project Team of highest interest related to the team charge and desired outcome(s). ECAC members volunteered themselves and/or colleagues to join one or more project teams. Each team reported out to the entire ECAC. Suggestions from the ECAC regarding the project teams will be considered by the Steering Committee, with revisions recommended as appropriate.
VIII. Wisconsin Shares <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy for payment of child care 	Secretary Anderson Elaine Richmond and Jim Bates	Elaine Richmond and Jim Bates were introduced. Three categories of child care providers in Wisconsin were described.(e.g.Certified, licensed family providers and licensed group providers). DCF was charged with finding cost savings in the Wisconsin SHARES program. Since DCF wanted the least impact on working Families, out of four cost saving options considered, the decision was made to base child care subsidies on attendance, not enrollment.
VIX. Adjourn	Secretary Anderson	After upcoming meeting dates were reviewed, the meeting was adjourned. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> June 19th, 2012 September 11th, 2012 November 13th, 2012